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THDC has informed that the Government of Uttaranchal has provided electricity and water supply (drinking) to all the displaced families in Athurwala Visthapit area. The residential plots in Athurwala Visthapit area are located within the agriculture plot allotted to displaced persons.

(b) In Mauja Pathri, Suman Nagar, Bahadrabad Visthapit area, electricity and drinking water supply have been provided to each residential plot in residential colonies, which are having all community facilities. All residential colonies are separate from agricultural plots. Adequate irrigation facilities like tube-wells and irrigation guls have been provided to every agricultural plot.

(c) and (d) The electricity and water connections for residential plots are already provided in residential colonies. Adequate irrigation facility like tube-wells and irrigation guls are provided for every agricultural plot. Any further electric and water connections are to be provided by the State Distribution utilities on application of the individuals.

Land allotted to Tehri dam displaced persons

1291. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Tehri dam displaced who have been provided agricultural land by THDC at Mauja Pathri, Suman Nagar, Bahadrabad and Haridwar have not been able to cultivate their land due to non availability of power connection on their fields;

(b) whether the rehabilitation work has not been executed properly by the State agencies;

(c) whether very few electricity poles have been erected on Bandha No. 5 making it impossible for far off fields to install tube-wells;

(d) whether Government propose to erect poles till Plot No. 360 Bandha No. 5 instead of waiting for individual requests; and

(e) if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE):

(a) The rehabilitation work of the Tehri Project is being carried out by the Government of Uttaranchal in accordance with the recommendations of the expert Committee constituted by the Government under the

Chairmanship of Prof. Hanumantha Rao and which has been accepted by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. The Government of Uttaranchal has informed that all facilities including roads, electricity, drinking water supply, irrigation and other essential community facilities *i.e.* schools, barat ghar, shops, dispensaries, Places of worship, etc. have been provided at Mauja Pathri/Suman Nagar, Bahadradab rehabilitation sites in District Haridwar.

THDC has informed that the Government of Uttaranchal has provided adequate facilities of irrigation like tube-well and irrigation guls to each agricultural plot. Therefore, the need to provide electric connections on individual field/plot for irrigation is obviated. Further electric connections can be provided by the State Power Distribution Utility on application of the individual also.

(b) THDC has informed that all rehabilitation work have been executed by the State agencies as per the policy provisions.

(c) THDC has informed that the requisite number of electricity poles have been erected along the main approach road and the main irrigation guls upto Bandha No. 5 to provide the electric connections to each tube-well. It has been informed that all the agricultural plots are provided with adequate irrigation facility.

(d) No, Sir, in view of reply to parts (a) and (c) above.

(e) Does not arise.

Status of Dabhol Power Plant

1292. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are planning to sell off Dabhol Power Project;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are unable to provide cheaper fuel to the Dabhol Project;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether there is any action plan for the viable functioning of the project?